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SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

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Prior to initiating the Examination of the above-described continuation application, Applicants herewith submit the following Supplemental Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 2 as follows:

(Amended) A method of controlling the outputting of mass medium program materials at a subscriber station, said subscriber station including an output 3 device, a storage device, a receiver, and a processor, wherein said output device is

capable of presenting mass medium program materials, said receiver has a signal 4

output coupled as an input to the processor, said processor has an output operatively

connected to a control input of said storage device, said storage device is operatively